

# A Dynamic Leader Is...

Dynamic leaders have a variety of qualities, like:

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**Positive leaders are dynamic.**

They move things forward and lift up everyone in the process.



**Today's Challenge:**  
Observe leaders' use of different leadership styles.

**There are several leadership styles.**

Each leans toward a style that seems natural for him or her, but any leader can learn and use a different style when it is best for the situation.

Style	Autocratic	Participative	Free Rein	Blended
Summary	I rely on rules and directives. I tell people what to do.	I rely on input from members. I invite people to work with me	I rely on members taking care of themselves. My role is to support people as they work	I choose my leadership style based on the situation and members' needs
Advantages	+ quick decisions + order	+ group ownership of projects	+ allows leaders to emerge from group	+ fits specific situation and members
Disadvantages	- low group commitment	- takes time to make decisions	- can lead to confusion and disorganization - takes a long time to make decisions	- may lack consistency - requires leadership skill and knowledge
Good to use when...	...the group is facing a crisis	...the group has time to create projects together	...the group is ready to lead itself	...the group has a variety of needs and expectations

